

Spatial Coherence of Signals Forward Scattered from Sea Surface and Seabed In the East China Sea

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RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

A. Understand behavior of vertical coherence in sea surface scattering, and its relation to:

- *sea surface bistatic cross section*
- *horizontal coherence*
- *wind speed, sea state, wave directionality*
- *frequency*
- *acquisition geometry*
- *sound speed profile*

B. Sea bed reflection (2-8 kHz)

- *what are bottom losses versus grazing angle, and are they consistent with inversions?*

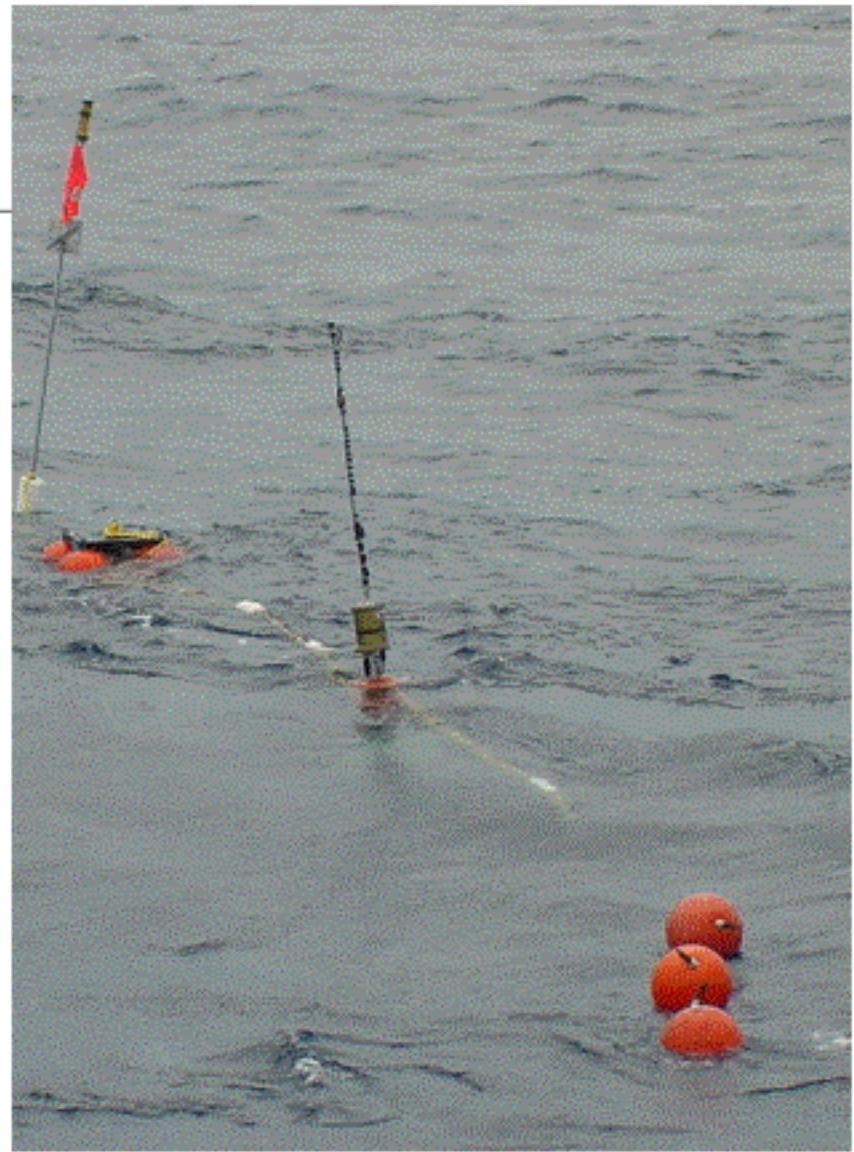
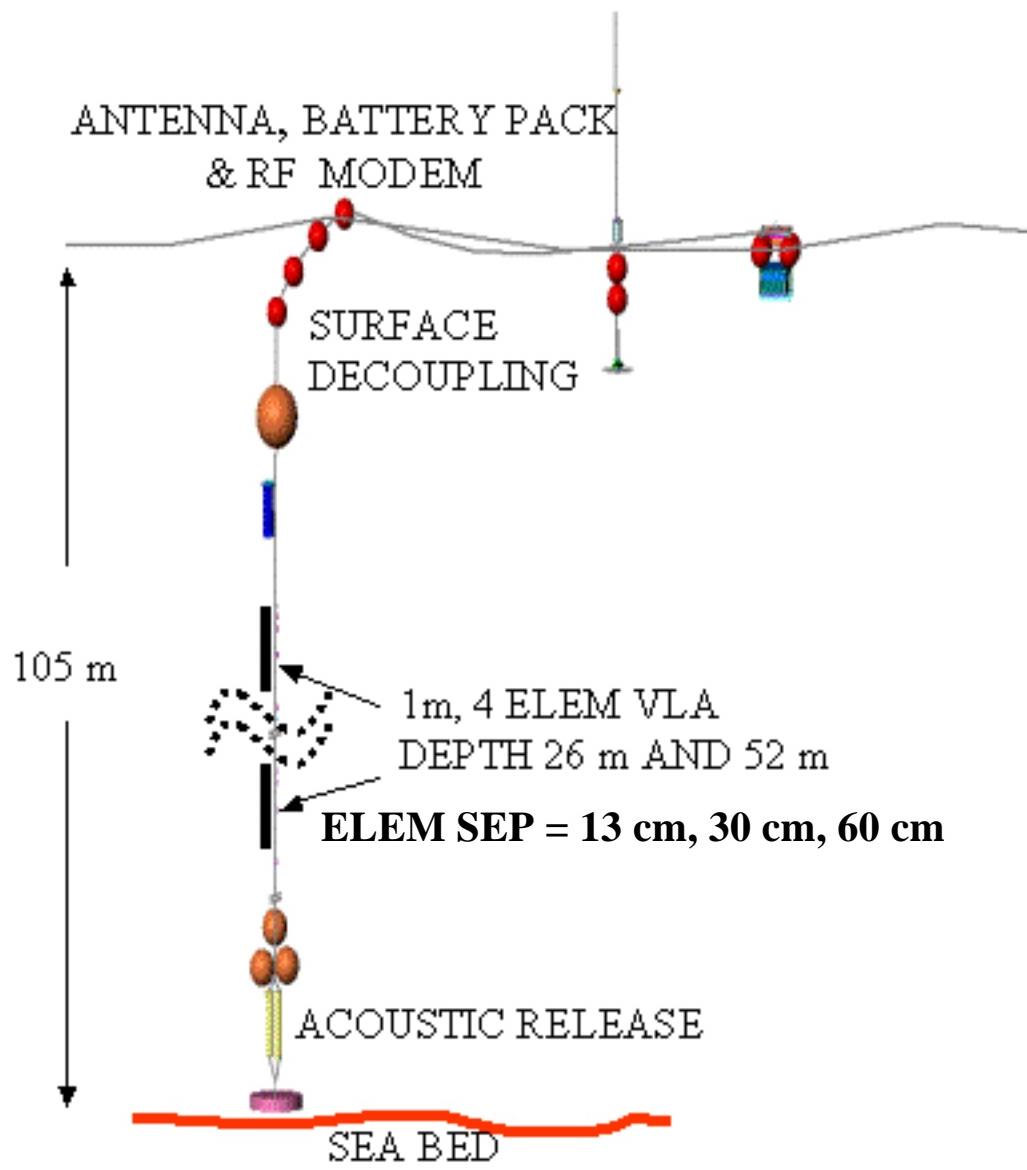






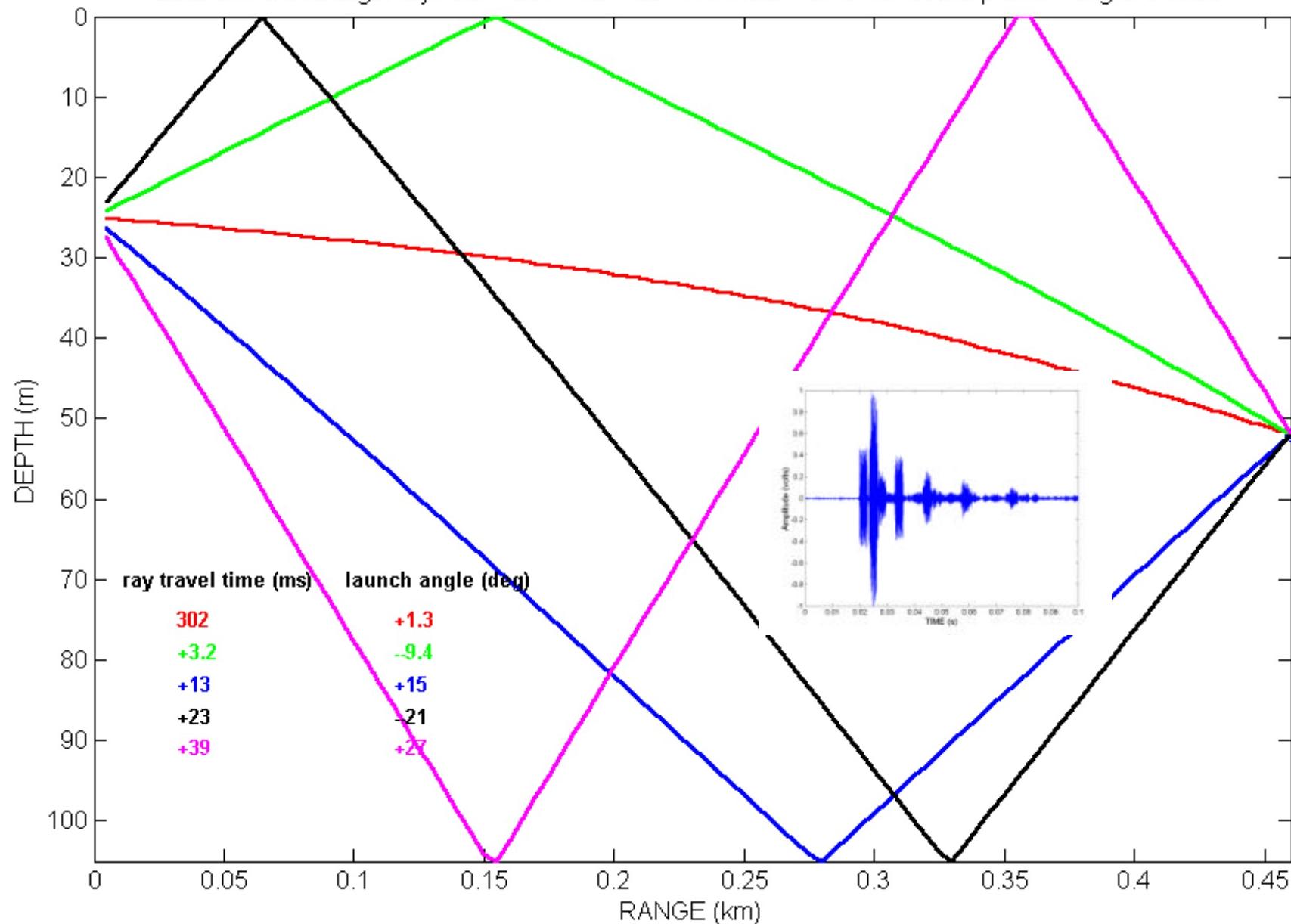


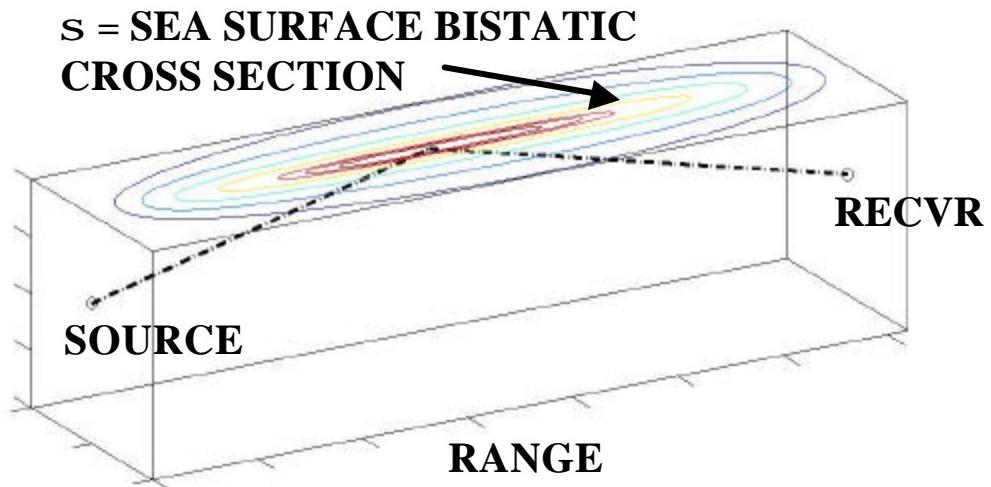
SOUND RECEIVER ARRAY





East China Sea Eigenrays SD = 25 m RD = 52 m RANGE = 0.46 km sound profile = avg of 6 casts





$$S \propto \iint e^{2ik(\mathbf{ax} + \mathbf{bz})} e^{-\underbrace{?^2 [1 - C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})]}_{\text{ENVIRONMENTAL DEPENDENCE EMBODIED HERE}}} d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{z}$$

$C = kH(\sin q_i + \sin q_s)$ ROUGHNESS PARAMETER, FUNCTION OF $k H$
INCIDENT AND SCATTERED ANGLES

$C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$ 2D SEA SURFACE CORRELATION FUNCTION

Sea surface bistatic cross section computed via the small slope approximation. Wave buoy data + wave model (Plant 2002) used for required sea surface correlation function

ENVIRONMENTAL ACOUSTIC MEASUREMENTS: DIRECTIONAL WAVE BUOY

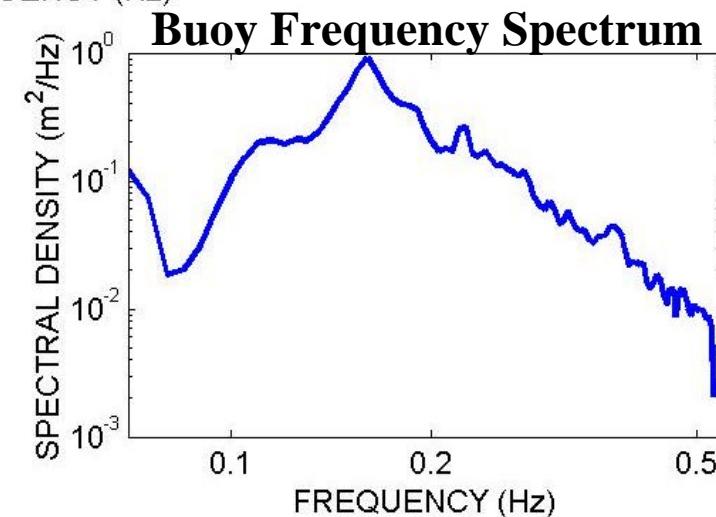
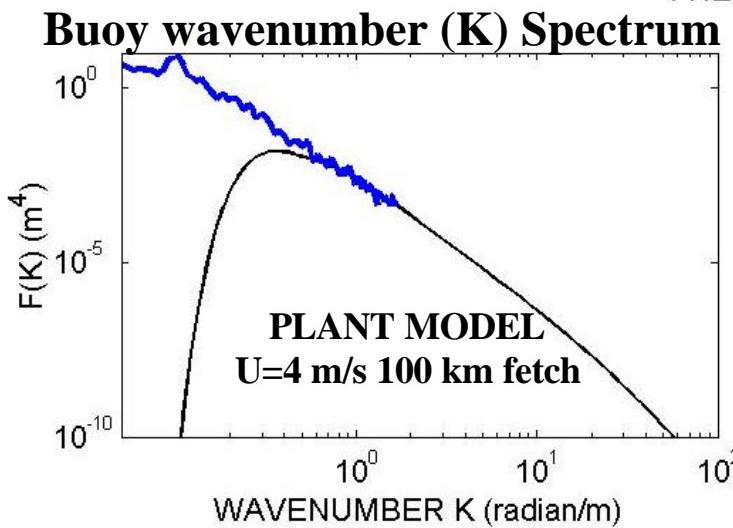
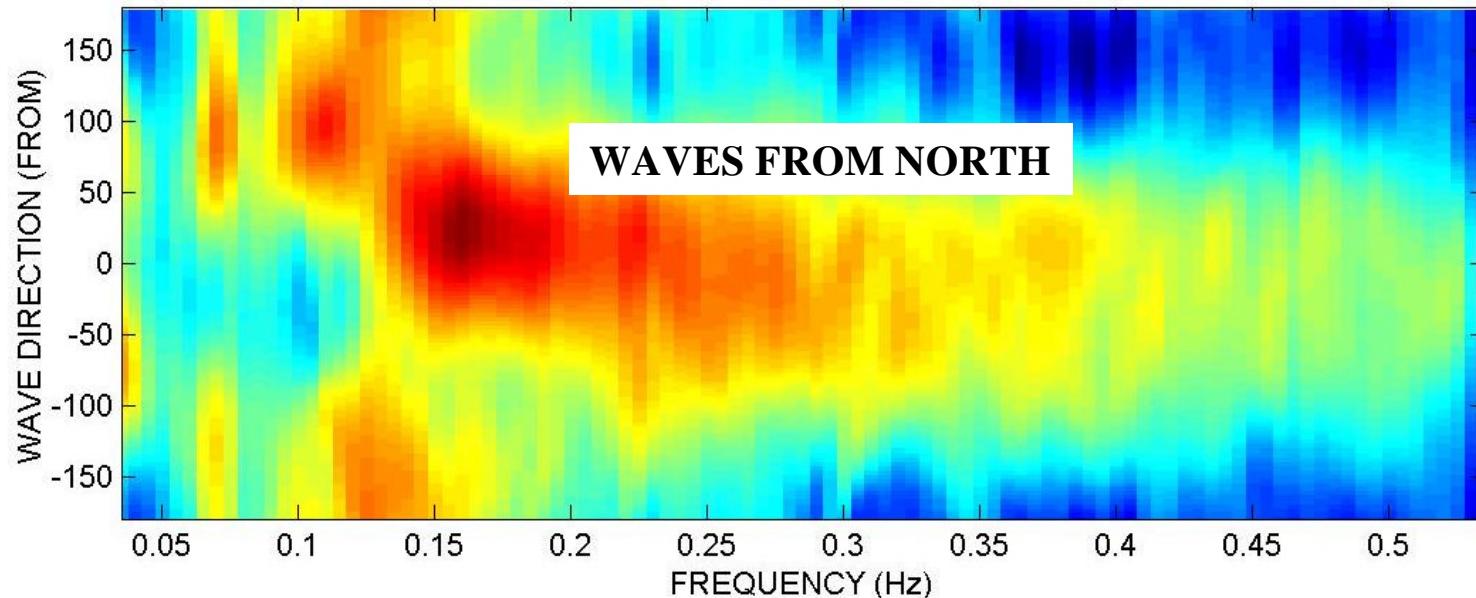


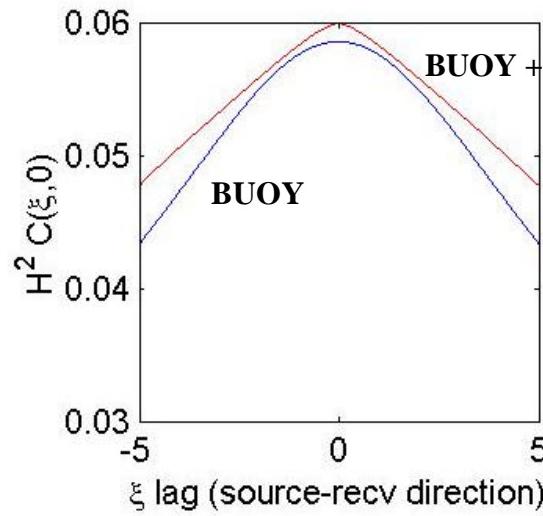
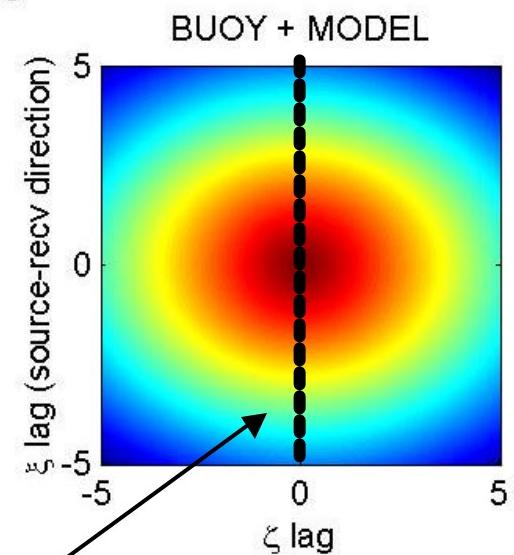
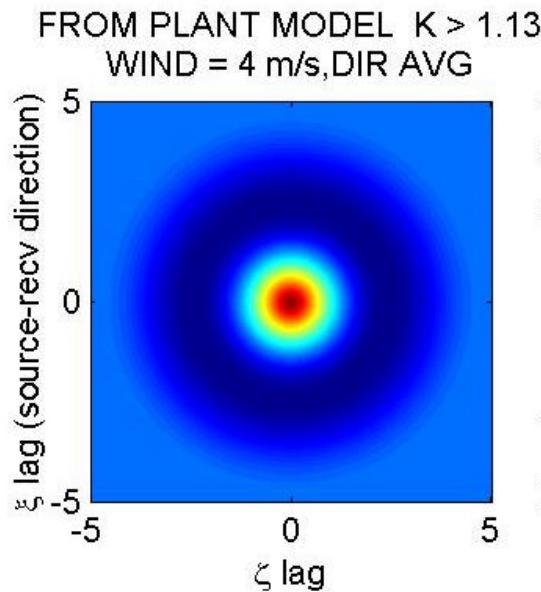
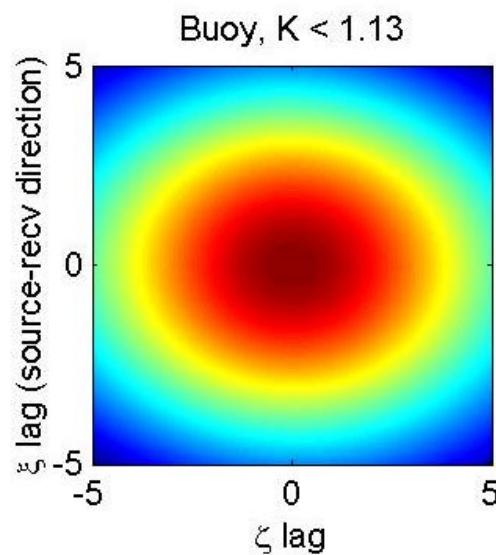
directional wave spectra every 0.5 h 28 May – 8 June

waveheight variance spectra
0.03 - 0.64 Hz, 0.005 Hz bins

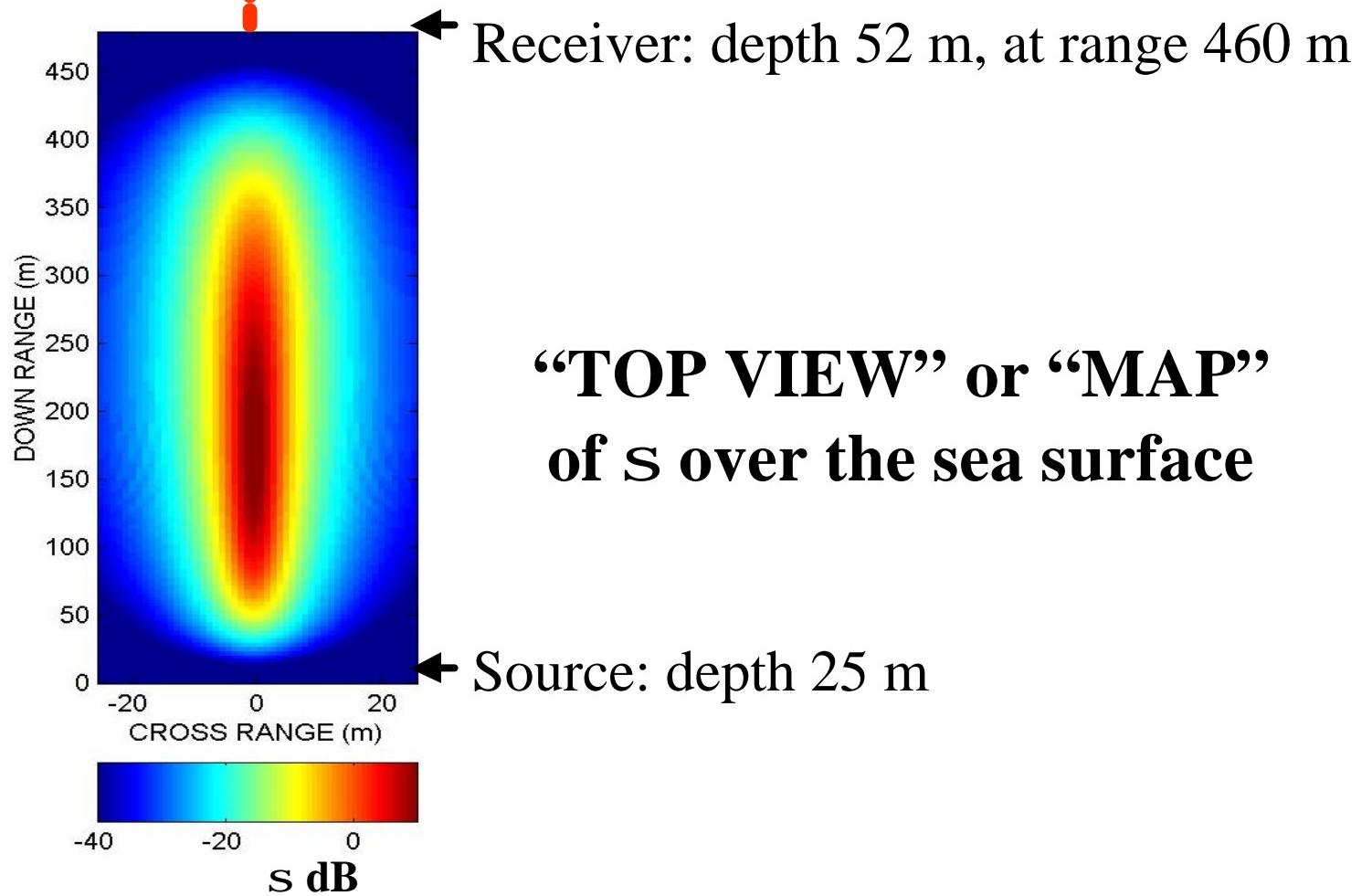
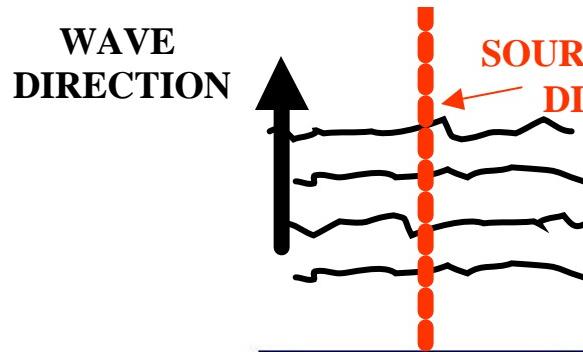
3-deg directional bins
20 min averaging period

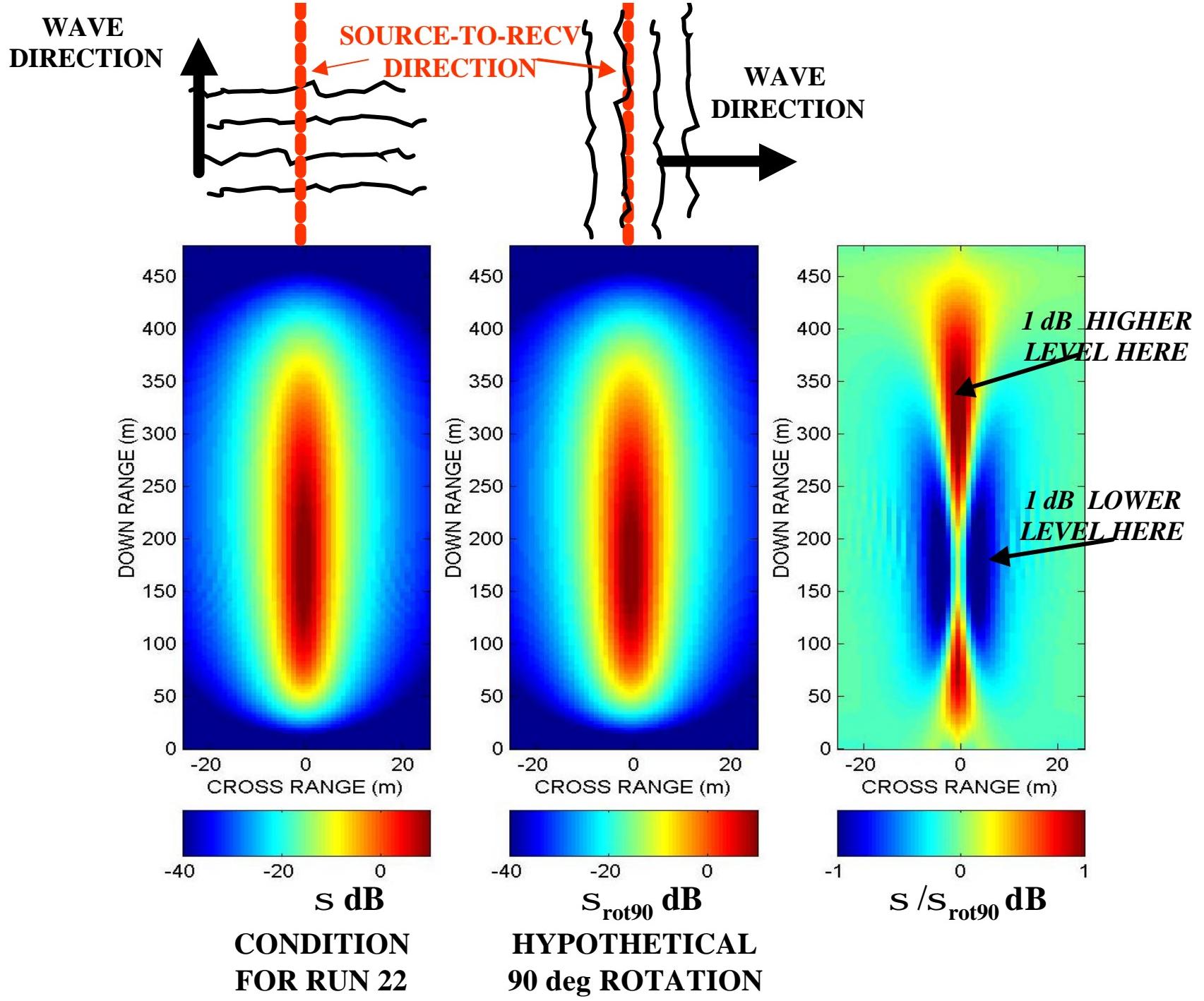
RAW DIRECTIONAL WAVE SPECTRUM FROM BUOY, RUN 22



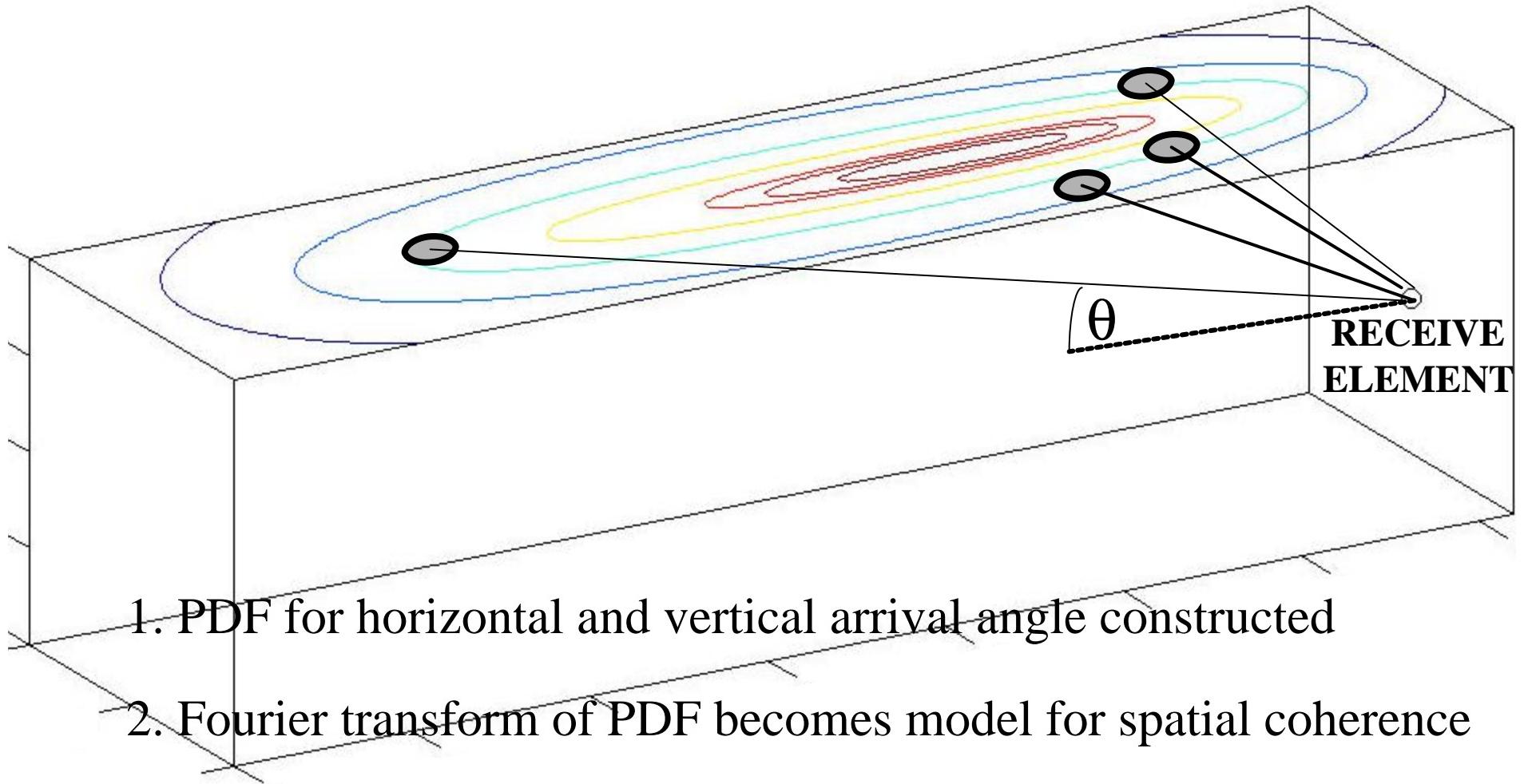


**A CUT DOWN THE IN-PLANE AXIS OR
SOURCE-RECEIVER DIRECTION**



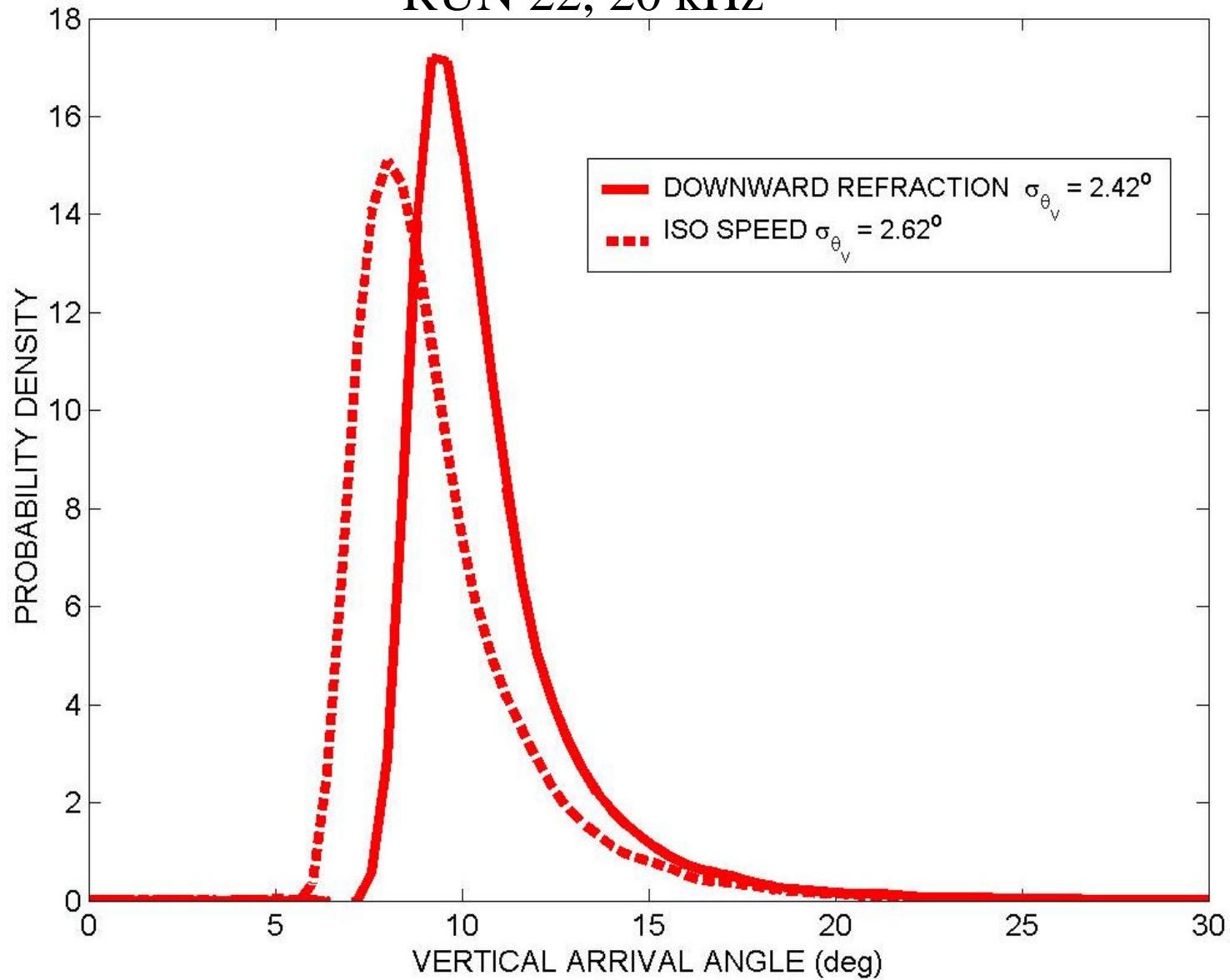


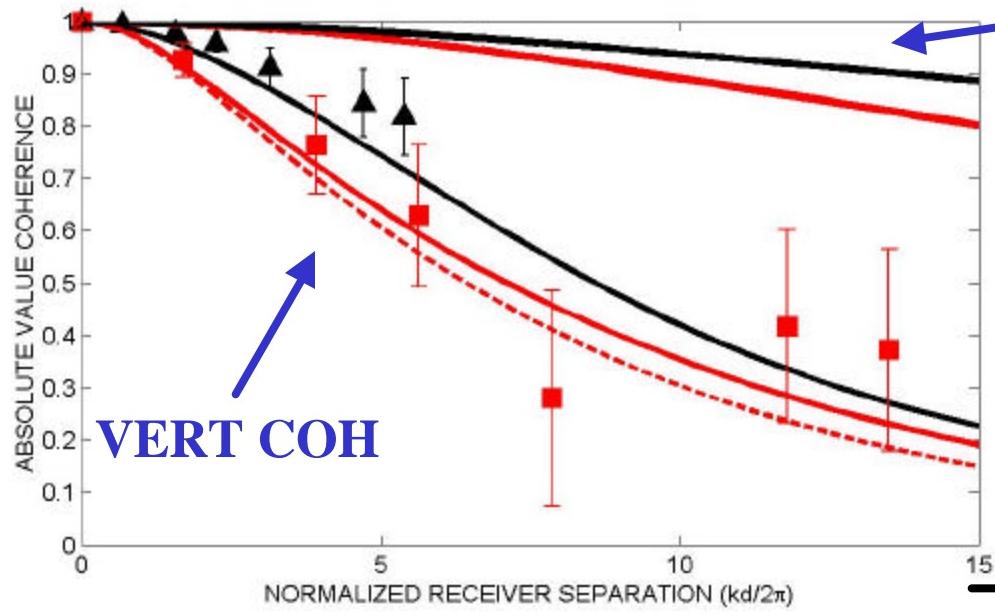
INTENSITY VS VERTICAL ARRIVAL ANGLE q



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RUN 22, 20 kHz

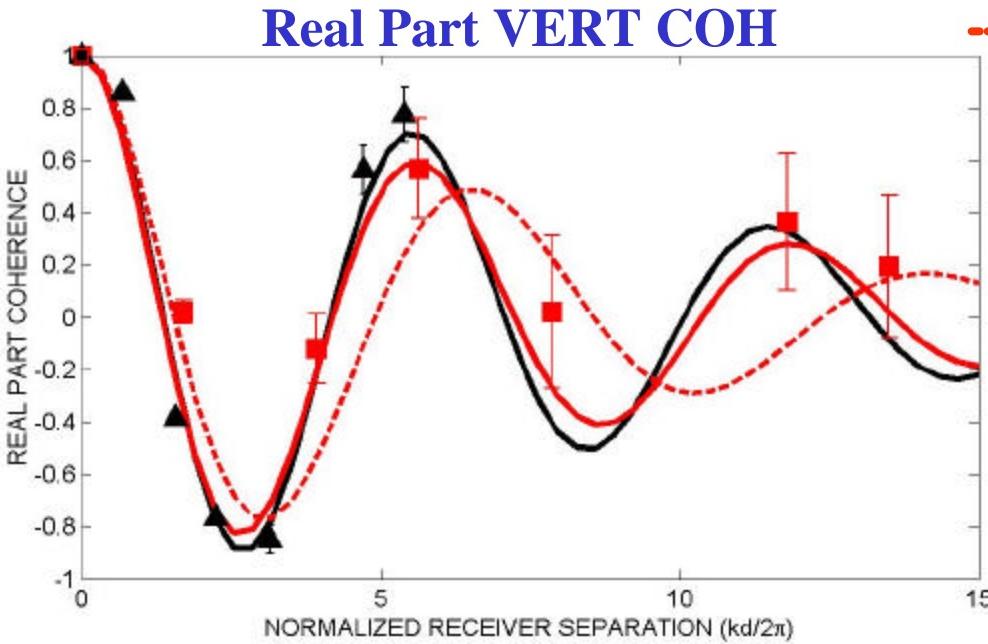




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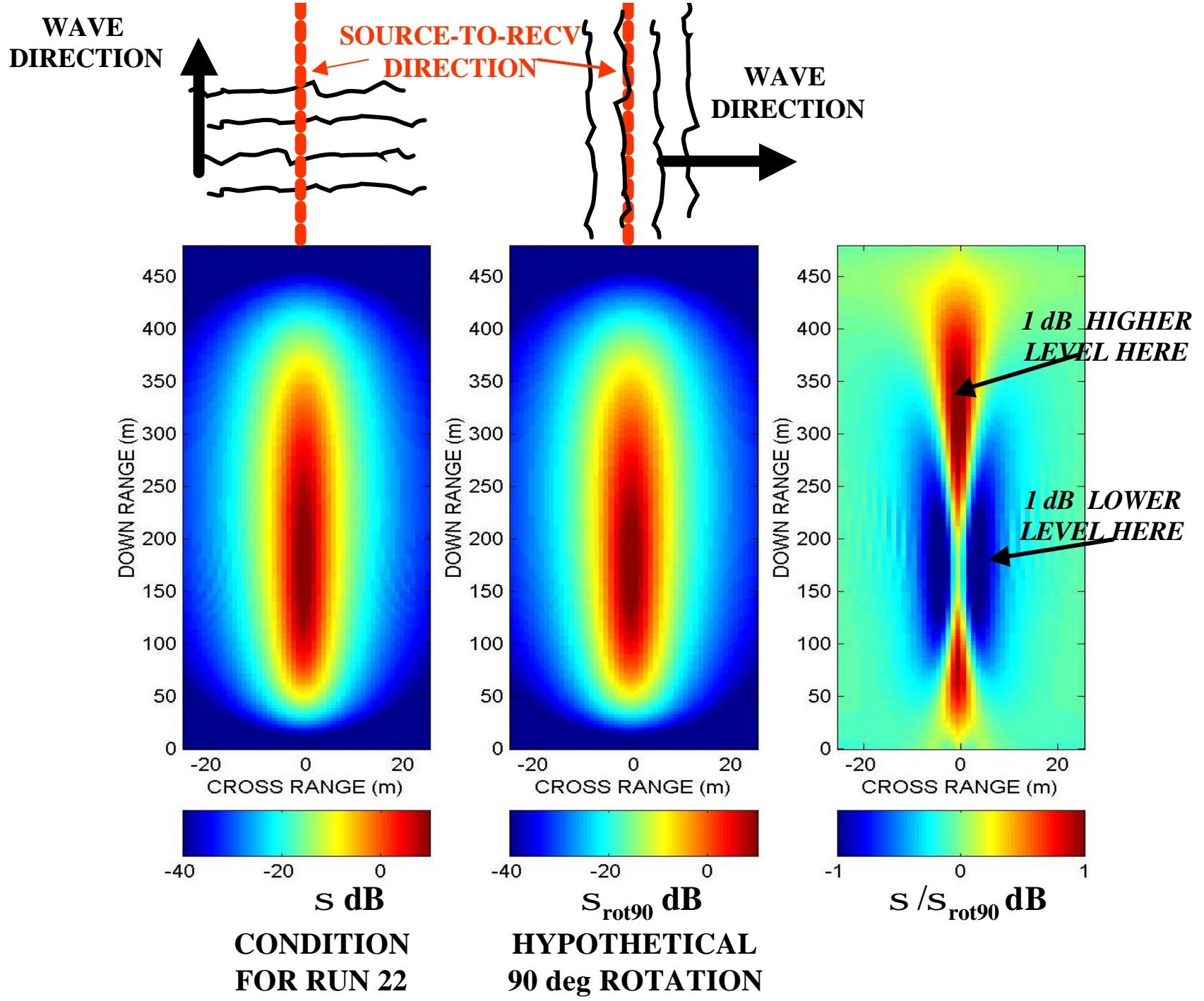
Run22: 5-31 2000 UTC

SD 26 m, RD 52, Rg 481 m
U=4 m/s H=0.24 m

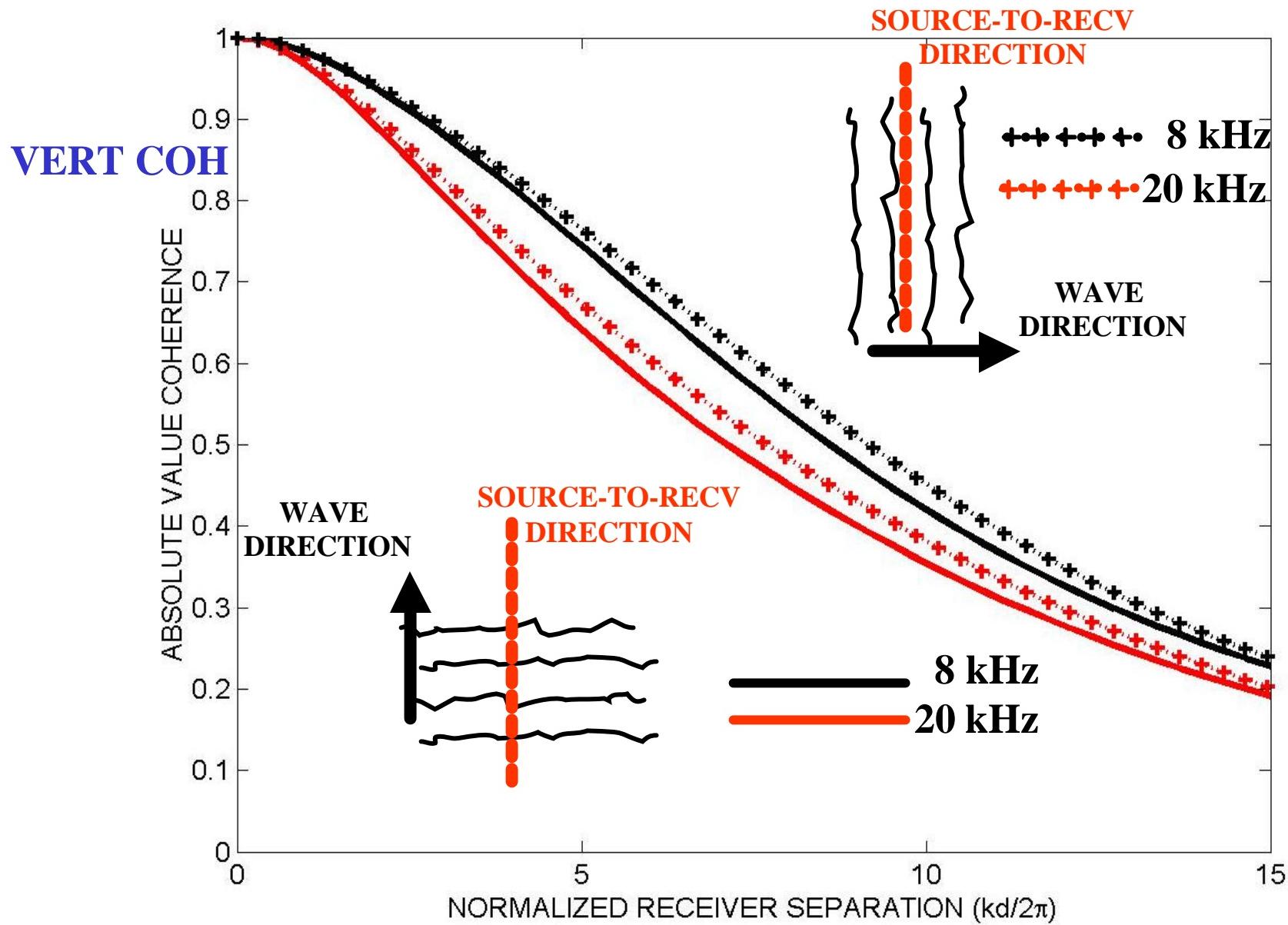


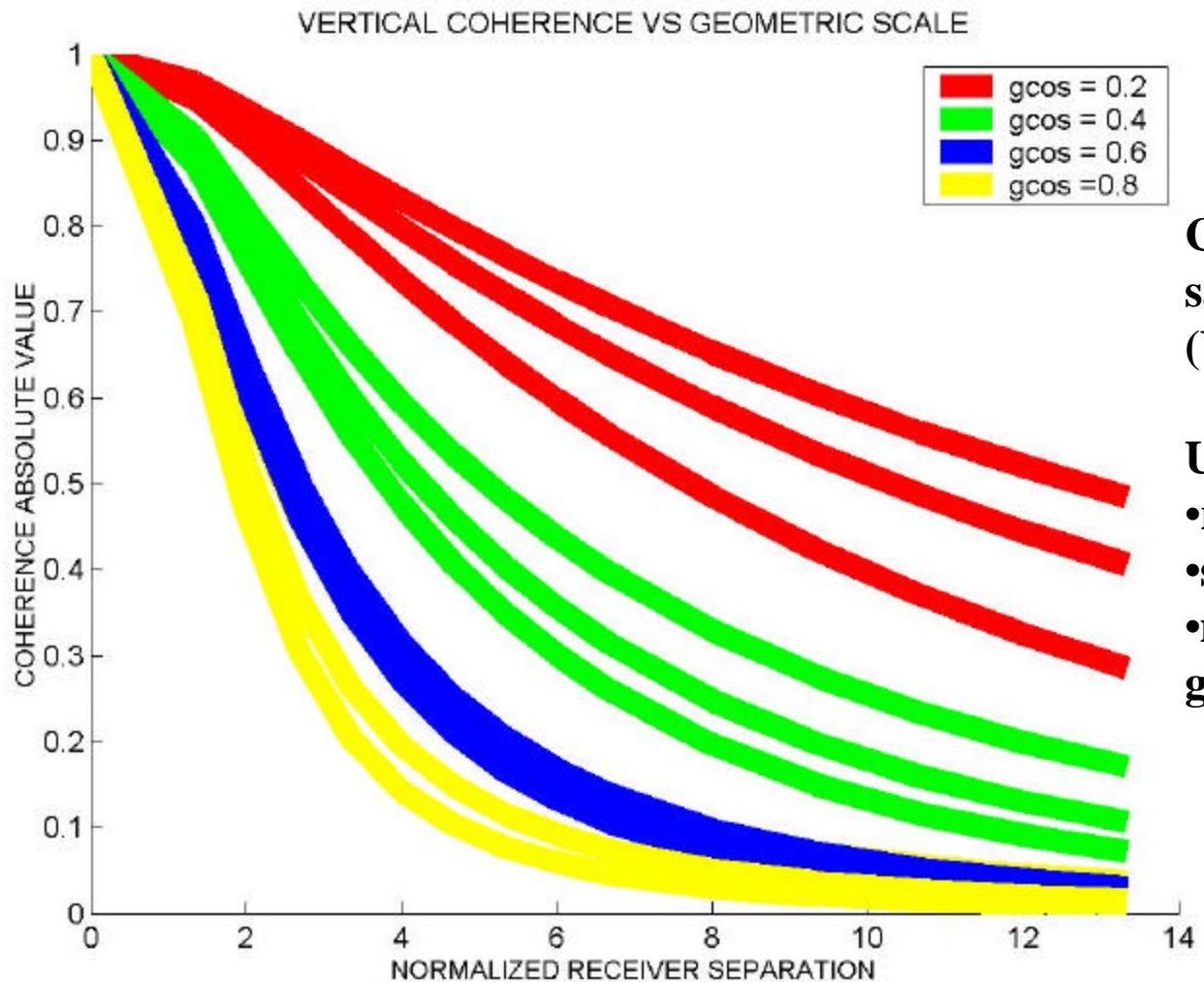
Real Part VERT COH

▲ 8 kHz MODEL, DATA
■ 20 kHz MODEL, DATA
---- 20 kHz ISO SPEED MODEL



INFLUENCE OF WAVE DIRECTIVITY



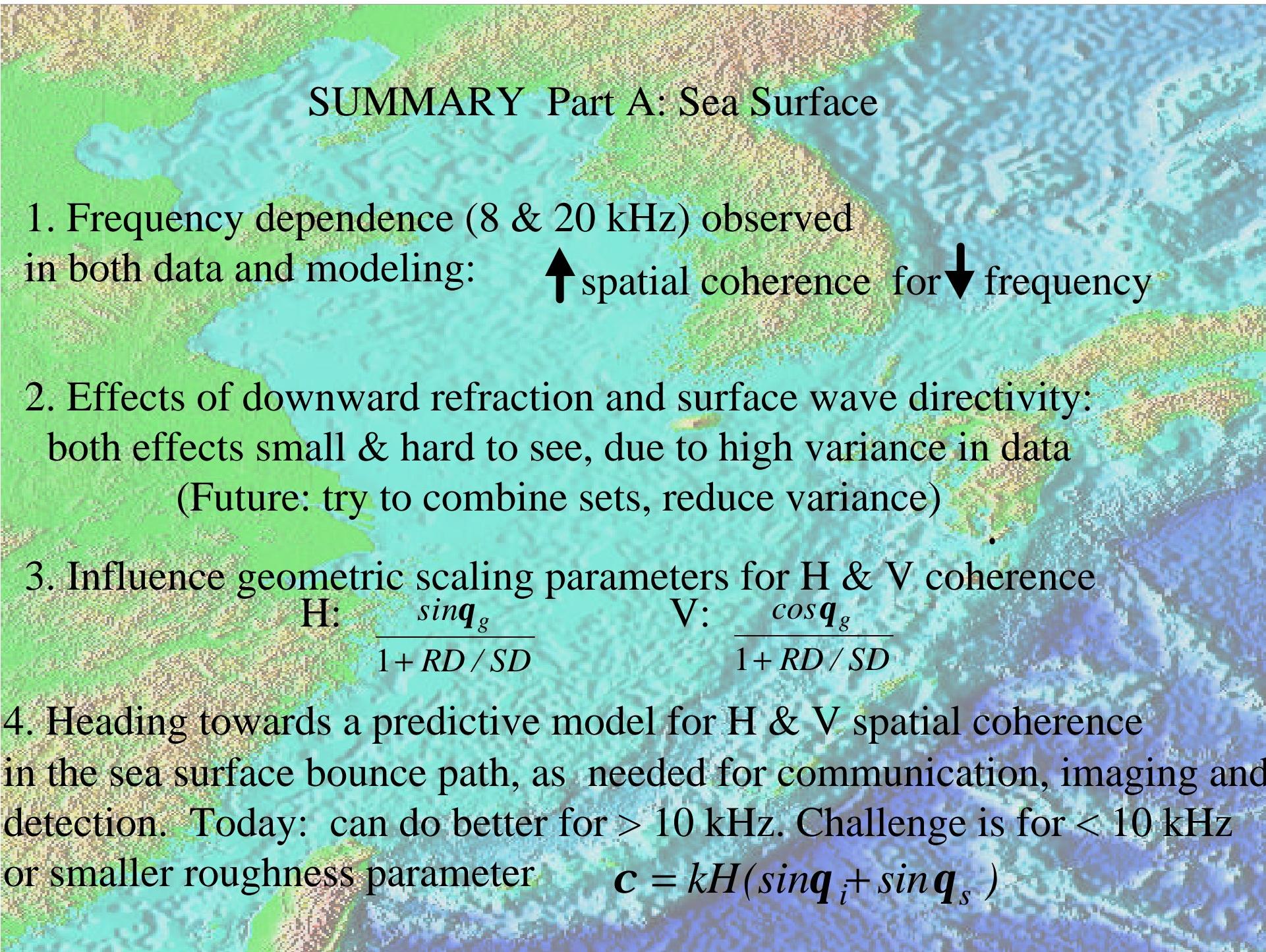


**Compute model at 20 kHz,
same environmental condition
($U = 7 \text{ m/s}$)**

Use:

- ranges: 400-700 m
- src, rcvr depths: 10-100 m
- match the parameter

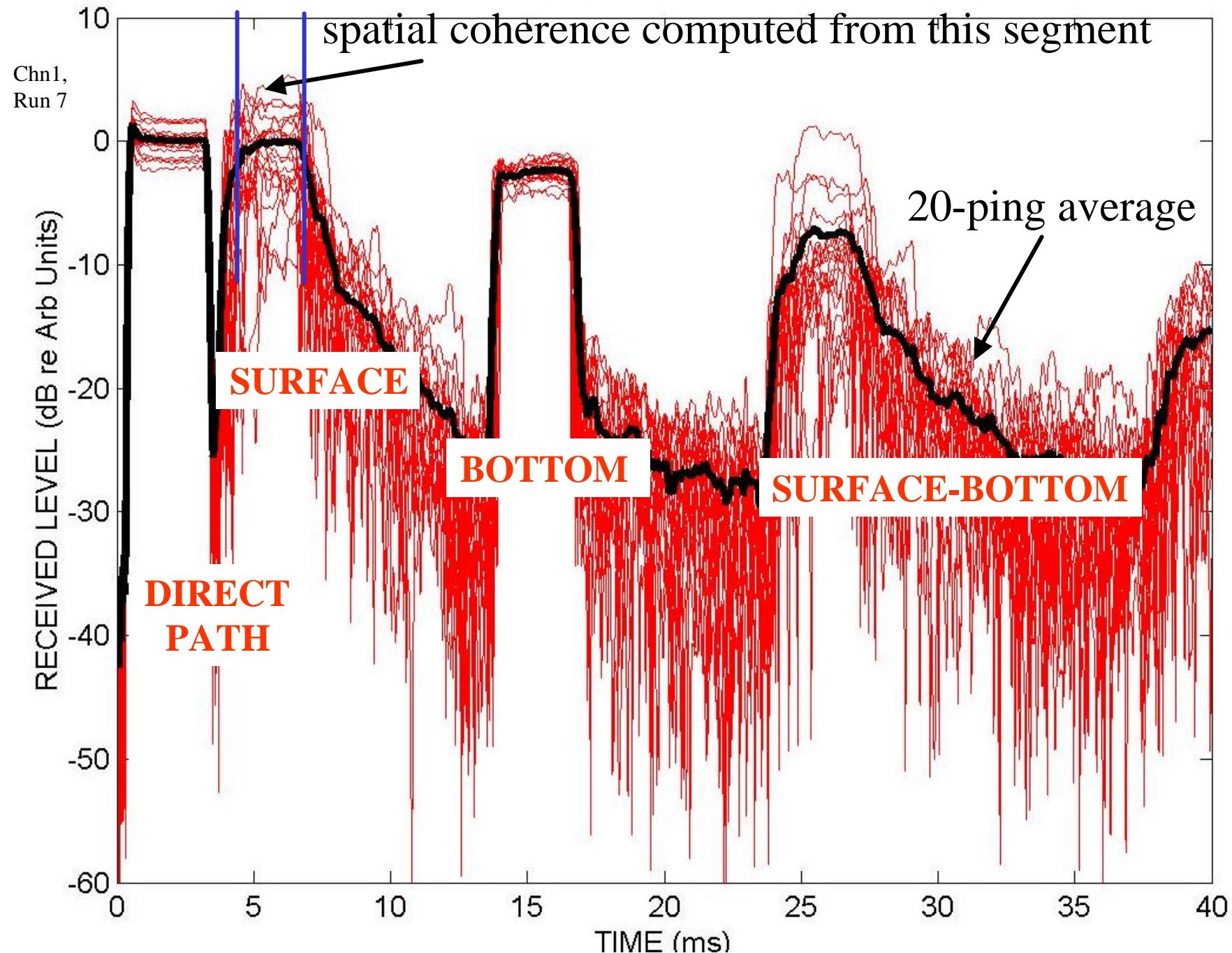
$$g\cos = \frac{\cos q_g}{1 + RD / SD}$$



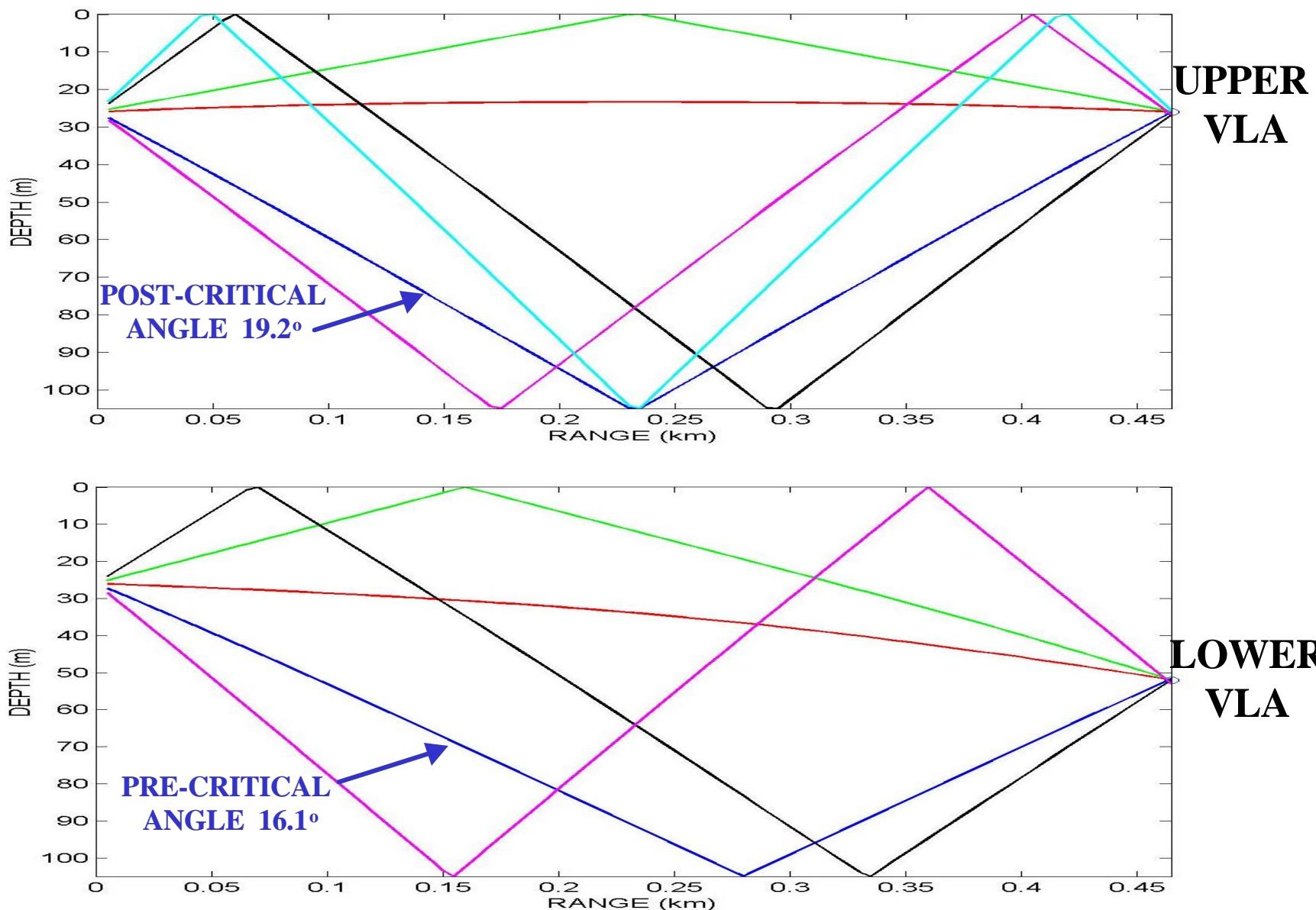
SUMMARY Part A: Sea Surface

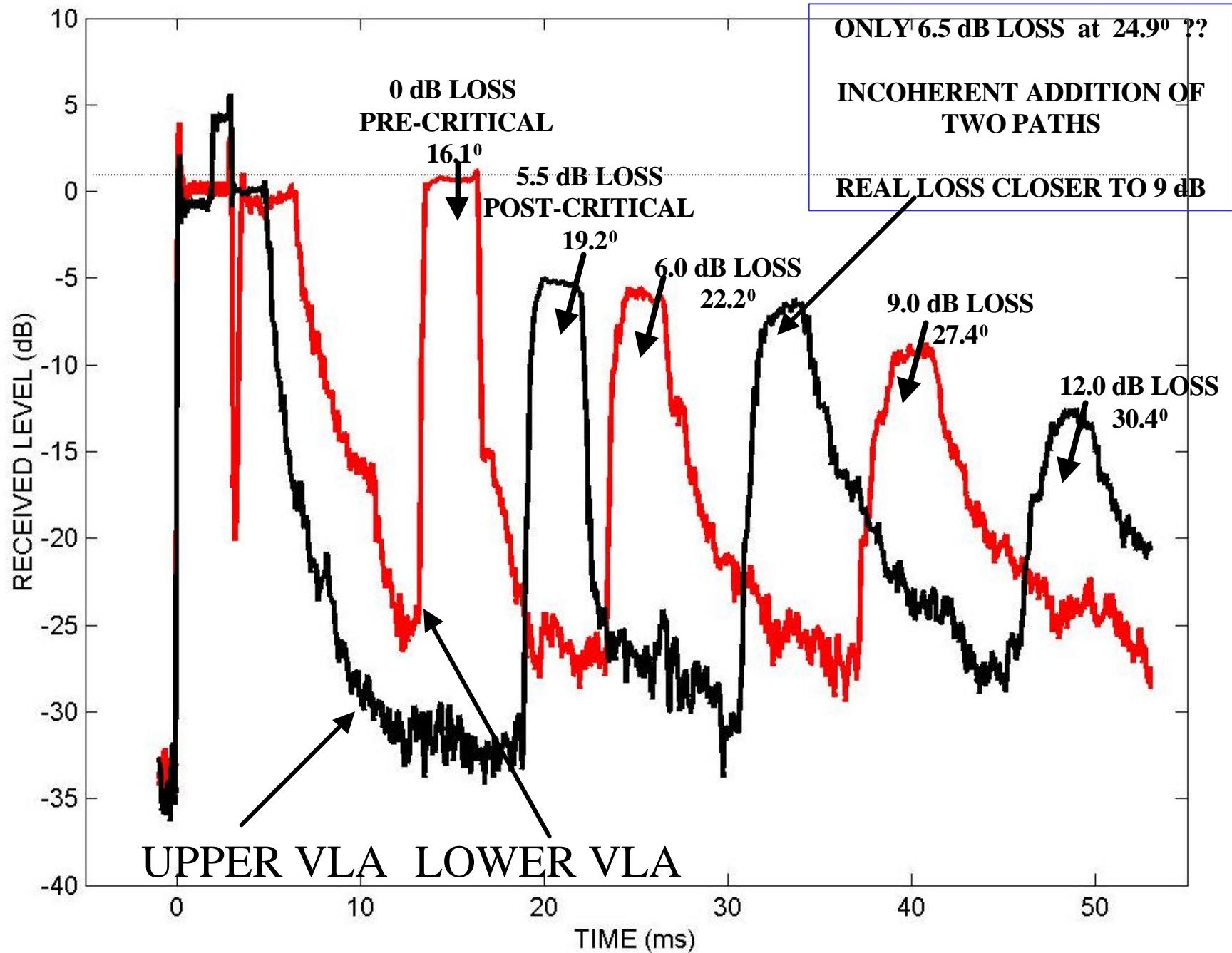
1. Frequency dependence (8 & 20 kHz) observed in both data and modeling: \uparrow spatial coherence for \downarrow frequency
2. Effects of downward refraction and surface wave directivity: both effects small & hard to see, due to high variance in data
(Future: try to combine sets, reduce variance)
3. Influence geometric scaling parameters for H & V coherence
 $H: \frac{\sin q_g}{1 + RD/SD}$ $V: \frac{\cos q_g}{1 + RD/SD}$
4. Heading towards a predictive model for H & V spatial coherence in the sea surface bounce path, as needed for communication, imaging and detection. Today: can do better for > 10 kHz. Challenge is for < 10 kHz or smaller roughness parameter $c = kH(\sin q_i + \sin q_s)$

8 kHz DATA RECORDED ON 1 OF THE 8 RECEIVE ELEMENTS

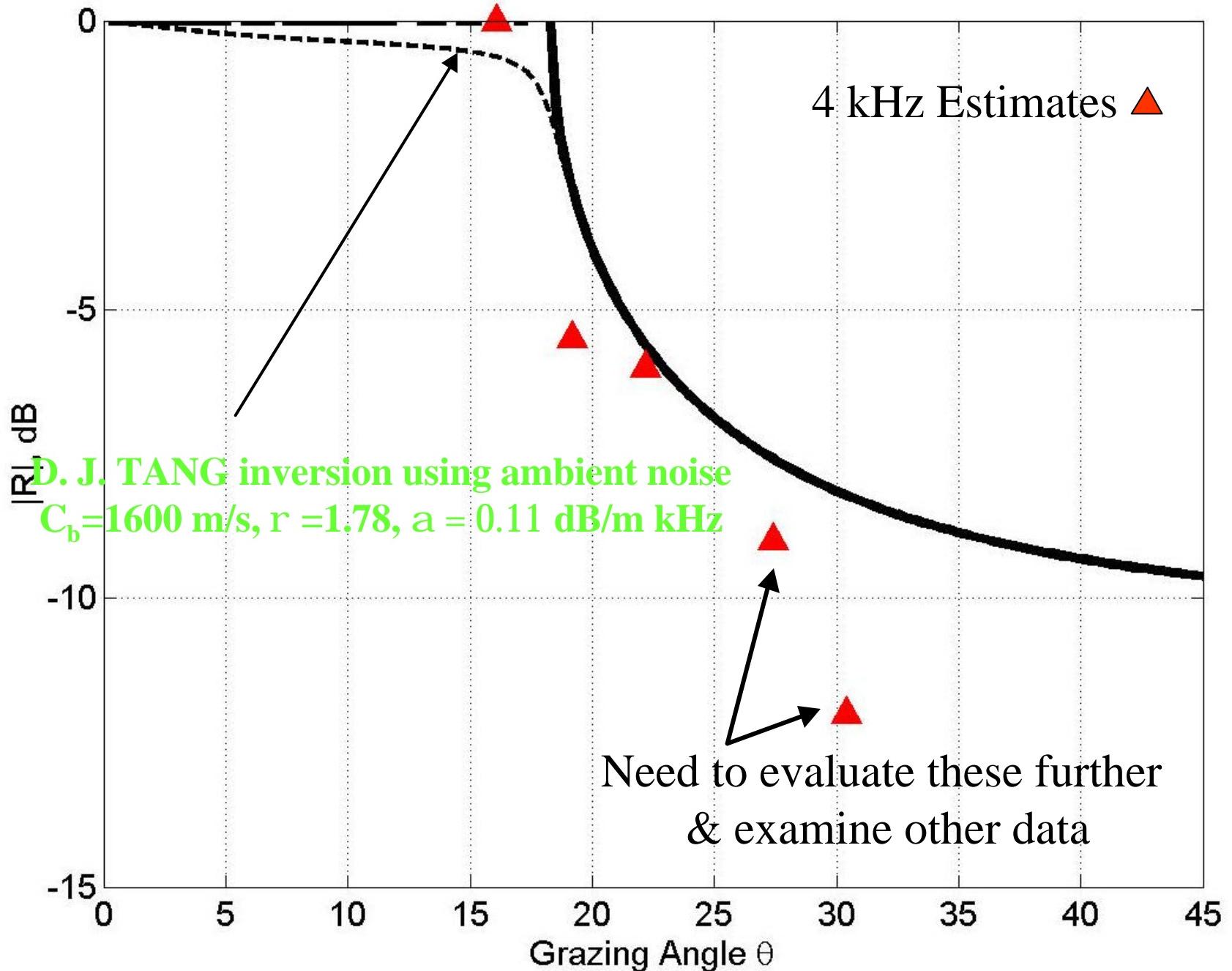


Spanning pre-to-post critical in bottom grazing angles





4 kHz Bottom Reflection Estimates from the MORAY VLAs



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Short Term (and achievable) Goal:

A unified geoacoustic model for at least:

- “Position M” in the East China Sea, followed by:
- (2) The general ECS region of “our box”

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Long Term Goal:

Towards an atlas of geoacoustic models
For the Asian Littoral